ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An apparatus and method are described for processing a captured (e.g. scanned) image. The apparatus includes a plurality of selection tools for selecting a region of the image to be processed. The selection tools include a word-by-word selection tool for text and a rectangular box selection tool for a picture. The apparatus also includes a plurality of copy tools for copying the selected region. The appropriate selection tool and copy tool are controlled automatically by a global mode control, being one of a text mode, a color picture mode and a black-and-white picture mode. Optionally, the appàratus displays the image in one of a plurality of different display modes, the display mode also being controlled by the global mode control.